



MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Cake Walk Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084449 and Forest Practices Application No. 2919781. This is a variable retention harvest of 37 acres in 3 units, with 860 feet of road construction and 860 feet of road abandonment.

Description of mitigation: The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 185 feet wide on type 3 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- A large Leave Tree island (1.7 acres) was left in the southwest corner of Unit 2. This Leave Tree island will eliminate any soil disturbance near Falls Creek, and minimize sedimentation into this stream and its tributaries.
- Extreme Hazard Abatement will be accomplished in areas adjacent to the county road.
- All roads to be constructed with this proposal are short, temporary spurs. They are all on flat ground and away from water. They will all be abandoned at the conclusion of timber harvest.
- Road building will not be allowed during periods of wet weather.
- Input from adjacent landowners was considered when designing the Leave Tree pattern.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal: Section 1, Township 4 North, Range 3 East, W.M., approximately two miles by road, east of Yacolt, off the Falls Creek county road in Clark County, Washington.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from July 9, 2009. Comments must be submitted by July 23, 2009.

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Signature Julie Sackett

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.